



## Local Homebuyers May Face Loss If Non-Buyers Scuttle Rent Raise

By Harry M. Zubkoff

Greenbelt residents were somewhat startled over the weekend when they received letters from the Public Housing Administration informing them that PHA had formally petitioned the Office of Rent Stabilization for an increase in the rent structure here. "What does it mean," and "I don't understand" were the comments most frequently heard.

Previously published accounts of GVHC activities have indicated that a 23 1/4% rent increase has already been "authorized". According to PHA Community Manager Orville Mitchell, this is not true. Board members of GVHC have intimated that ORS has informally agreed that a rent increase is warranted, although this could not be confirmed. However, PHA's petition to ORS last week was the first official move taken in the direction of securing a rent increase.

### Behind The Scenes

The story behind the present rent situation is long and complicated. Much of it cannot be confirmed by responsible individuals and some of it may be denied. Nevertheless, it started when the membership of GVHC, at a meeting several months ago, unanimously voted to instruct the Board of Directors to "assure us that a rent increase can be secured before we take title." This action placed the Board in a peculiar position. It could not initiate action with ORS to secure a rent increase because it was not yet a landlord. PHA, on the other hand, who was the landlord, showed no indication of wanting to initiate a request for a rent increase. (The last effort to secure a rent raise in 1951 had been effectively stymied through the efforts of the Citizens' Rent Protest Committee.) The situation was further complicated by the action of the city council in voting to continue rent control in Greenbelt. In view of the apparent impasse, GVHC Board members informally approached PHA officials in an effort to persuade PHA to initiate a request for a rent increase. It was reported but not confirmed that PHA, after considerable discussion, agreed to take the matter up informally with ORS. It was further reported, but again not confirmed, that ORS officials agreed that a rent increase was warranted under the existing rent control legislation. Beyond this, GVHC Board members could do nothing but sit back and wait to see if PHA would take formal action.

### Meaning Of A Raise

Why, it is asked, should anyone want a rent raise? The answer lies in examining the motives of those who want one, and of those who do not. If GVHC takes title on January 1, as is presently contemplated, those members who buy their homes will be making monthly payments to the Corporation. These monthly payments will exceed by far the monthly rentals on those units which are unsold. In effect, the Corporation will therefore be subsidizing the unsold homes. GVHC members believe it would be ironic indeed if, in addition to making higher monthly payments on their homes than those who rent, they also had to make up the difference between the rents and the payments in order to keep the property. This matter is so serious to them and involves so much money that it could threaten the accomplishment of the sale. Unless rentals approximately equal the corporation's monthly payments, the purchase of Greenbelt involves grave financial risk, not only to the Corporation

but to the individual members as well.

And since over 1200 units have been sold, out of a possible 1575, the members comprise an overwhelming majority of residents. (Apartments are not included in the sale.) Members, therefore, are not objecting to the proposed rent raise, since in the long run it might very well cost them more money to oppose it than to support it.

It is clear, therefore, that only non-members, or renters, are opposed to the raise. Naturally, those who do not wish to buy also do not wish to pay higher rents. Nevertheless, members believe it unfair that a minority of residents, who do not intend to make their permanent homes in Greenbelt by opposing the increase, might jeopardize the whole sale.

### City Council Action

The city council, purporting to act in the name of the residents, has requested that a hearing be held on the proposed increase. This is legal and proper, but GVHC members claim it is both unwarranted and dangerous. Unwarranted because it is not a reflection of majority wishes and dangerous because it may possibly cause a delay in the approval of a raise and thereby perhaps be fatal to the progress of the sale. If the raise is not approved by January 1, GVHC cannot take title. In the unlikely assumption that members do authorize the corporation to take title, even without the raises, it will then be necessary for GVHC to manage Greenbelt for months, perhaps, operating at a loss while going through the whole tedious process of negotiating directly with ORS for an increase. Meanwhile, council has maintained a stangely indifferent attitude with regard to the wishes of GVHC members, and in some cases this attitude has actually been hostile. Their action on rents has been interpreted by some members as being directly contrary to the welfare of the majority of the electorate. Their action, or lack of action, on public utilities (electric power and water) has been attacked on the grounds that they have made no attempt to protect the interests of the electorate. But even more deeply, their entire attitude throughout the long and difficult negotiations with PHA to purchase Greenbelt, has been attacked as displaying a singular lack of willingness to help Greenbelt achieve its independence. Far from being public leaders, councilmen have been accused of obstructionist tactics and of inteposing serious obstacles in the way of the residents efforts to buy their homes.

### Conclusions

Residents must decide whether to support or oppose a rent raise. And this decision must be made in the next few days and communicated to the council so that they may know the true feeling of the town.

### Co-op Gives Away Trains

Lots of stores carry electric trains - even the Greenbelt Co-op Supermarket. A complete Lionel train set is now on display, but instead of pastorals and the usual miniature village, Kix, Cheerios and Wheaties provide the scenery. Complete train set (without the cereal) will be given away at a drawing to take place on Tuesday, December 16. There's nothing to buy; just drop name and address in the box beside the display.

### WHAT GOES ON

Saturday, Dec. 6 - JCC 5th annual dance, 9:30-1 a.m., Greenbelt Center school auditorium.

Saturday, Dec. 6 - Annual Northwestern Jamboree at the high school, starts 6 p.m.

Wednesday, Dec. 10 - GCS membership meeting, Center school, 8 p.m.

Friday, Dec. 12 - Greenbelt Athletic Club, general meeting, 9 p.m.

## H. S. Jamboree To Feature Bazaar

The annual Jamboree sponsored by Northwestern High School Parent-Teacher Association will be held in the High School on Colesville, Saturday, December 6.

The evening's festivities will begin at 6 p.m. with dinner served in the school cafeteria. Free babysitting service for children five and older will be provided. During the dinner hour, the home economics students will model clothing made in the classroom.

The Jamboree will feature a bazaar with a fine selection of handwork and other merchandise suitable for Christmas giving. This is a splendid opportunity to do your shopping early.

Loads of home-made cakes, cookies, pies and other goodies will be available for purchase at the Bake Sale.

At 9 o'clock music will be provided for dancing in the gymnasium by the Off-Beats, Northwestern's well known dance band.

The purpose of the Jamboree is to provide funds for continuing PTA projects at the High School, including the purchase of books for the library in order to bring it to the standards acceptable for accreditation.

## Dollars and Sense

By Morris J. Solomon

### LOOKED FOR TROUBLE -AND FOUND IT

I happened to mention the Cornell Formula Bread to some people in my office. They said they would like to try it. I brought a half-dozen loaves in for them. Now they want to be supplied regularly - by me!

### CALLING COTTAGE CHEESE LOVERS

If your family likes cottage cheese, you may be interested in the 5-pound package sold by the Harvey milkman. At 1.05 for the package, on a per-pound basis it is a third cheaper than the ordinary 12-ounce package. A large family can go through a package in no time. Th Harvey milkman will deliver one to your door every week, or every two weeks, as you wish.

### GLUE THAT WON'T LOOSEN

The co-op variety store has glue that will stick. In fact, Consumers Union says that the material glued will give way before the glue does. The two brands of this quality stocked by the co-op are "Casca-mite" and "Weldwood," both in powder form.

### IT'S OBVIOUS BUT HELPFUL

I am what you might call a devotee of rice-and-tomato soup. Recently my wife made an obvious but nevertheless helpful discovery. To prepare rice-and-tomato soup, one doesn't have to boil rise to order; all she does is make sure she has some leftover rice from another meal. With a can of tomato soup, she has a delicious mixture in short order. Incidentally, Co-op soup is an outstanding product; it's priced right too.

## Council Whacks \$9600 From Budget For City's First Self-Taxing Year

By Isadore J. Parker

Over \$9600 was cut from the preliminary 1953 budget by Greenbelt's city council last Monday in a session that lasted until 1:30 a.m. Tuesday morning.

## Greenbelt To Be Granite 3 This Saturday A.M.

At one a.m. Saturday morning, December 6, all Greenbelt telephones will have their numbers changed to GRanite 3 telephone number. For example, Greenbelt 9969 will become GRanite 3-9969.

According to Frank M. Holmes, telephone company manager, this change will not affect the way local calls should be dialed. For example, to dial GRanite 3-9969 from any other GRanite 3 telephone, simply dial 9 - 9 - 6 - 9, as in the past. When placing any calls through an operator, the full number, such as GRanite 3-9969, should be given to the operator.

Holmes pointed out that the temporary yellow number cards on all telephones should be removed after the deadline Saturday, December 6. New GRanite 3 number cards will be found under them.

In emergencies, residents may dial police and fire, 2011; also your doctors at their regular numbers.

## An American In Paris At JCC Dance Saturday

Nancy Wagner, singer and dancer recently returned from overseas with a USO troupe, will headline the show at the fifth annual dance of the Greenbelt Jewish Community Center, to be held Saturday evening, December 6, 9:30 p.m.-1 a.m. at the Greenbelt Center School Auditorium.

Among the highlights of the show will be a modern dance group from the University of Maryland, performing numbers from "An American in Paris"; Patty Fischle, ballet dancer from the Roberta School of Dance in Takoma Park and program winner of Sylvia Dey's Television Show; and Ethel Gerring, radio and musical comedy star. Music will be provided by Lou Welch's Orchestra under the direction of Van Camp. Proceeds from the dance will go toward the purchase of materials for the Jewish Community Center's new building which is being erected by the members.

## Are You A Worry Bird?

When you're "stepping out" do you feel uneasy about leaving your children? You can relax and have fun which a competent parent is your sitter for the evening. Join the Sitters Pool and be assured of reliable sitting service—and there's no charge involved. All you do is pay back in sitting time the number of hours you use. For further information phone Jennie Klein, 5628, or Jeanette Zubkoff, 5801.

## Library Records Show Transitions

According to librarian Mrs. Marjorie Muir, library registration reflects an interesting picture of this transitional period in Greenbelt life. In September, for instance, the library lost 10 and acquired 52 members; in October lost 37 and gained 49; and in November lost 35 and signed up 40.

Mrs. Muir made this analysis on the basis of PHA lists and her own library records.

The budget now totals \$259,611, as compared to last year's figure of \$247,659. Figures for the major departments are: general government - \$48,915; public safety - \$42,115; highways - \$28,628; recreation - \$64,381 (this includes cultural, library, band, swimming pool, municipal parks, Drop-Inn); sanitation and waste removal - \$38,307.

Among items cut from the budget were \$3500 for an accounting machine (to handle utility billing) and \$1000 for the Youth Center (still leaves \$1000 permitted by lease arrangement with PHA), proposed salary increases for future council members, treasurer, and uniforms for garbage men. Also eliminated were funds for "conferences and training" for all city officials except the city manager. Fourth of July fireworks were included to the extent of \$500; and \$300 was allocated to furnish transportation for Boys Club athletic teams.

### Hearing Dec. 15

Public hearing on the budget is set for December 15. The budget message and revised budget will be published in the Cooperator next week. Citizens are expected to throng the council chambers to express—for the first time—a direct interest in budget and tax matters.

City Manager Charles McDonald was instructed to write the Rent Stabilization Board to request an open hearing in Greenbelt on the announced rent raise by the federal government.

## Co-op Members To Meet Dec. 10

The regular quarterly membership meeting of Greenbelt Consumer Services will be held December 10 at 8 p.m. in the social room of the Greenbelt Center School. Selected as the subject for discussion is the problem of bringing better service to consumers. Ideas for strengthening area co-ops for this purpose will be presented by the board of directors.

The evening's agenda also includes the election of a board member and a new audit committee. Colored slides of co-ops around the country will be shown. A Christmas tree, one of those imported each year from a farmer's Co-op in New Brunswick, will be given as a door prize.

## COMMUNITY CHURCH CHRISTMAS TREE

The Christmas tree at Community Church, sponsored by the senior high department of the Church School, Principal George Shaeffer, will be lighted at 7 p.m. Sunday evening. The service will include the singing of Christmas carols and will be conducted by members of the department. Choirs of the church will also participate.

This service took place last year as a dedication of the live Christmas tree on the church lawn, which had been given to the church by students of the senior high department. The tree was lighted each evening through the Christmas season until after New Year's.

### NOTICE

The Potomac Cooperative Federation announces that it has moved its office to the new home of the Workshop Center of the Arts. The Federation's address and telephone are now 1300 New Hampshire Avenue, N.W., Washington 6, D.C. CO. 4177.



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## Sunday, December 7

By HARRY M. ZUBKOFF

Most of us think of December 7 as Pearl Harbor Day, and truly none of us will ever forget that tragic day of history. Every year thousands of newspapers throughout the country editorialize on the occasion of this solemn anniversary, its meaning, its significance and its implications. It is a convincing reminder that we must never allow our defenses to so deteriorate as to become vulnerable to surprise attacks by a ruthless enemy. It is a warning and a symbol of the ghastly costs of unpreparedness. We have taken that lesson to heart. We are currently expending huge sums of money to build up our military strength, and the whole purpose of this buildup is to make it unmistakably clear to any potential enemy that it would be most unwise to attack us. The sheer horror of the damage that we can deliver with our atomic weapons should make anyone think twice before risking a war. And it is our hope that behind this shield of military might, our diplomats can work out with the diplomats of the world, a true and lasting peace - a world in which the threat of war can be completely abolished - a world without weapons - a world in which men and nations can settle their disputes in a meeting room instead of on a battlefield.

But in a way, perhaps, December 7, has an even deeper meaning for us in America. For it is also the symbol of another war - A war against an enemy far more relentless and implacable than mere man. It is the birthday of a great and cherished American tradition - the birthday of the Christmas Seal. On December 7, 1907, forty-six years ago, the Christmas Seal was born.

Today in millions of American homes the Christmas Seal with the red Double-Barred Cross is as much a part of the holiday scene as the Christmas tree or Santa Claus. It carries a message of hope and good cheer, that tuberculosis can be defeated if all of us work together. In the forty-six years since the first Christmas Seal sale, tuberculosis has been forced down from first to sixth place among the causes of death in this country. But despite this progress, tuberculosis today kills more than all other infectious diseases combined. It attacks 115,000 Americans every year.

Those who buy and use Christmas Seals are helping to protect themselves and their neighbors from this killer, which attacks without obvious symptoms. They are helping the voluntary tuberculosis associations acquaint more and more people with the basic facts about TB, with the need for chest X-rays in an effort to find TB early, when it is easiest to cure. They are supporting medical research in the development of better ways of treating and preventing tuberculosis.

This is part of the personal contribution millions of Americans are making during the Christmas season. By buying and using Christmas Seals they are helping to save lives and to reduce the suffering of their less fortunate neighbors. Dec. 7 is indeed a date to remember.

## My Daze

Nursery School preparations for quitting are begun well ahead of schedule these days of cold, wet weather, to allow for the redoning of countless items of the children's protective wear in which solicitous mothers encase them before allowing them out of the house. Boots a shade too small, ski-pants just a shade too snug, mislaid mittens, hats, scarves, bally zippers, impatient children, make this dressing period a bustling, altogether challenging adventure for all. Whew! The white Wonderland of untrampled fields, white-trimmed hedges, trees and houses provides us with a breathtaking panorama when we awaken after the night's snowfall.

but changes all too soon into a slushy mess, no doubt disappointing prospective sledders. Here's hoping for some of the dry stuff. Our boy was soaking in the bathtub, and had promised to remove his own adhesive bandage, but was stalling badly. Daddy removed it finally, in one swift split-second motion. In surprised indignation, our boy turned on his father hotly with "you dirty-tricker, you." It was a rare moment when I was getting the best of a discussion with our four-year-old daughter and I was feeling smug about having the last word. That is, until she countered calmly with, "Anyway, you're not Dale Evans." "I suppose YOU'RE Dale Evans?" I asked. "I am," was her serious pronouncement. I was beaten again.

—DAISY

## GREENBELT COMMUNITY CHURCH

Hillside and Crescent Roads  
Telephone 7931

Sunday, December 7 - Church School, 9, 10, and 11 a.m. -Nursery adult, Morning Worship 9 and 11, Reception of new members, Sacrament of Baptism. First in a series of Advent or Christmas sermons by Mr. Braund, "The Hope of Redemption."  
7 - Lighting of Christmas tree.  
7 - Church Council meeting.

Monday, December 8 - Evening Guild, 8 p.m.

Tuesday, December 9 - 8 p.m. Christmas party of Fidelis Bible Class at home of Mr. and Mrs. Guthrie.

Tonight - Discussion Group meets at 8:15 at home of Mrs. Marie Palmer, 4814 Delaware, Berwyn.

## MOWATT MEMORIAL METHODIST CHURCH

C. R. Strausburg, Minister  
Telephone 4987

Friday, December 5

Greater Washington Spiritual Life Mission service at the Chapel on Woodlandway. Rev. R. L. Cabot, Arkansas, will preach the sermon.

Sunday, December 7

Session of the Sunday School 9:30 a.m. Classes for all ages. Richard Hoffman, superintendent of the school, will gladly welcome you. Worship service and sermon, Sacrament of the Lord's Supper will be administered. Reception of members. We extend a cordial welcome

## GREENBELT LUTHERAN CHURCH

Robert E. Jones, Vicar  
Telephone 3703

Saturday, December 6 - 11 a.m. Junior Choir.

Sunday, December 7 - 9:45 a.m. Sunday School and Adult Bible Class. Classes for all ages. 11 a.m. Divine Worship. Sermon by the Vicar on Matt. 21:1-9, "Christ, Our Humble King." 2 p.m. Walther League Skating Party. 7 p.m. Lecture Course in Christian Doctrine. 8 p.m. Vespers Service.

Monday, December 8 - 8:30 p.m. Annual Christmas Concert by the National Lutheran Chorus at Constitution Hall.

Tuesday, December 9 - 8 p.m. Lydia Guild.

Wednesday, December 10 - 8 p.m. Senior Choir.

## Golden Anniversary

Mr. and Mrs. J. Milton Rielley of 1-B Parkway Rd., who have been residing at that address for the past nine years, quietly celebrated their fiftieth wedding anniversary at the home of their daughter and son-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. R. W. Mende of Hyattsville, Md., in the midst of their immediate family.

The Rielleys were married in Washington, D. C. on December 3, 1902 and have lived in this area for the past fifty years. They have three other children, Mrs. S. J. Manley of Squantum, Mass., Mrs. S. J. Hanna of Hyattsville, Md., and a son, John M. Rielley, Jr. of Mt. Rainier, Md. They have ten grandchildren and one great-grandchild.

Mr. Rielley is a retired U. S. postal worker.

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Sunday: Masses 7:30, 8:30, 9:30 and 11 a.m. Nursery care for preschool children during the 11 o'clock Mass. Children attending public schools, both grade and high, are requested to be present at the 8:30 a.m. Mass and to attend the religious instructions immediately following the Mass.

Baptisms: Sunday, 1 p.m. Anyone wishing to have a baby baptized should notify Father Dowgiallo beforehand.

Monday, December 8: Feast of the Immaculate Conception. A Holy Day of Obligation for all Catholics. Masses will be at 6:30, 7:30, 8:30 and 9:30 a.m.

Wednesday: Novena Services followed by Benediction of the Most Blessed Sacrament at 8 p.m.

The St. Hugh's Sodality will hold its monthly meeting following the Novena Service on Wednesday, December 10.

## HEBREW SERVICES

Rabbi C. H. Waldman

Services will be held in the social room of the Greenbelt Center School Friday at 8 p.m. Candle-lighting time, 4:21.

December 12, pupils of the Hebrew classes will participate in the Friday evening Hanukkah services. Refreshments will be served.

## Love Thy Neighbor

Before breaking your lease to bring a dog into the community which was planned and populated definitely as a healthful and safe place for children, consider not only the legal angles. But ask yourself is it RIGHT—right to annoy your neighbors, introduce contentions and strife into such a community, and even make it unsafe for children to play upon the ground and become victims of several kinds of intestinal parasites?

Can you be content to enjoy along with others peace, safety, and good will cherished and preserved by them for you, or do you require also something extra—that extra which returns evil for your neighbors? You may hope that they will submissively bear the additional burden, and live up to the command "thou shalt love thy neighbor as thyself."

Neighbor.

## THANKS

Mr. & Mrs. McCollum and family wish to extend their sincere thanks to their many friends and neighbors for their expression of sympathy in the death of her sister, Mrs. Marie C. Devitt.

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## Dougherty-Jones

Jeanne Celeste Dougherty, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Thomas C. Dougherty of Baltimore, became the bride on November 22 of George Richard Jones, son of Mr. and Mrs. George M. Jones of Greenbelt.

The Rev. Victor J. Dowgiallo performed the ceremony at the Rectory of St. Hugh's Catholic Church.

The bride wore a blue suit, sequined veiled white hat. Her bride's corsage was of white yellow-lipped orchids. The bride's sister as maid of honor, wore a grey suit, blue accessories and a yellow rosebud corsage. Serving as best man was Joseph Loftus, of Greenbelt.

The ceremony was followed by a reception at the home of the bride's parents in Baltimore. The couple are both graduates of Western Maryland College. The groom is a graduate student at Catholic University, Washington, D.C. After the wedding trip to the Mississippi River the couple will reside in Greenbelt.

## Catherine H. Weber

Mrs. Leo F. Weber, 6-G Hillside, died at her home on November 29, after a long illness. She is survived by her husband, a former Greenbelt policeman, and 3 sons, Leo H., 11; Joseph D., 2, and Edward T., 5 months. Prayers were said at Chambers Funeral Home in Riverdale yesterday and a mass said at St. Hugh's in Greenbelt. Interment was in Arlington National Cemetery.

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### Church Reports Fresh Vandalism

According to Edward Trumbule of the Lutheran Church, 22 Ridge, vandalism has been on the upgrade during the past few weeks at the new church building.

Children have been shooting air rifles at windows and have damaged six or seven. A rock was thrown through backdoor windows recently.

These actions have apparently been deliberate, and church officials are seeking to reach the parents of those involved through this story in the paper.

### Boy's Club Activities

By Lee

Here's the scoop: GREENBELT BOY'S CLUB already has two county football championships. The 105 lb came through with an undefeated season and the county championship. The team and Coach "Puggy" Wilson are to be congratulated on a very successful season. Good work, boys.

The 128 lb team wiped out their only defeat of the season by defeating Landover last Saturday very convincingly 26 to 6. In their previous game Landover defeated Greenbelt 13 to 12, so the boys evened that one up and won the county championship. This team is a new addition as of this year to take care of the boys between the 105 lb and 150 lb teams. They came up with a winner their first season under the coaching of Donnie Wolfe and are deserving of a big hand. Nice going, fellows.

The 90 lbs aren't quite finished yet. They defeated Landover last Saturday and were to play University Park Sunday in the deciding game for the county championship but due to inclement weather the game was postponed until this coming Sunday at 1 p.m. at the Riverdale School. If the kids are successful in this one they will also come up with a county championship. The only game which kept them out of the undefeated class was the protested tie game with Landover which they wiped out last Saturday. The boys worked very hard for their coach "Chet" and they all deserve a great big hand for their spirit and inspired play.

The 150 lbs wound up their season Thanksgiving day losing a close one to Riverdale 13 to 7. A Trophy was presented to the winning team in a short ceremony following the game played at Riverdale. It was a good hard fought battle, but the boys missed Bosmer and Ward. Probably would have been a different story if they had been able to be there. The boys didn't have too successful a season but did play some good hard football and let everyone know they were in a game.

The 128 lbs also won the Braden Bowl game Thanksgiving day defeating Riverdale 13 to 0 thereby retaining the Braden Bowl Trophy for the Greenbelt Boy's Club. In an added attraction that day the 90 lbs defeated Hollywood 32 to 0.

All you fellows interested in Basketball, don't forget to come down to the Center school gym. Seniors, Tuesday evenings; Intermediates, Wednesday evenings; Juniors, Thursday evenings and Midgets, Saturday mornings. See you next week.

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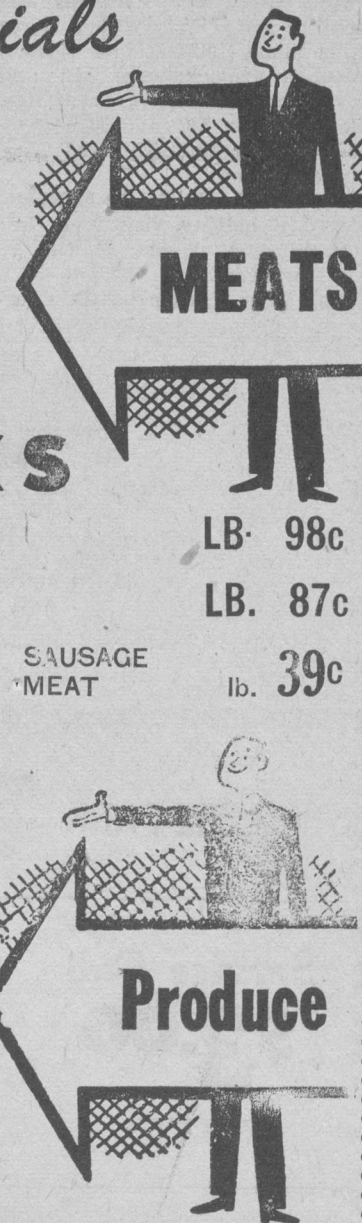
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# Our Neighbors

By Dorothy McGee, phone 5677

At the hospitable homes of two Greenbelt families, several South American students at Maryland University became acquainted with our most truly American custom, Thanksgiving Day. Nowhere else in the world could they have helped celebrate a national holiday such as ours, a day of thanks to God for the blessings that we count.

Mr. and Mrs. James Beck, 8-M Southway, entertained five students, a young woman from Bolivia and four young men from Peru. They were eager to see snow before their return home in two weeks, and must have been pleased with Sunday's snowfall. They were very interested in our community and wanted to take back some literature with them.

Mr. and Mrs. John Elder, 15-A Ridge, had as their dinner guests two teachers from Bolivia. Exchanging talk of Christmas customs, the Elders learned of the South American counterpart of our "chimney" stockings. In Bolivia on Christmas morning the children find a present under their bed pillows. Emphasis is on the midnight church service. The two visitors enjoyed so much their hosts' kind invitation to dinner that they were eager to show their appreciation, so on Sunday they plan to come back to sing and play the piano for the Elders especially. The young men sang on a television program Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Conway Marion and their two children have moved from Research Road to 5 Forestway, the former home of the Garland Franklins, who are living in Washington now but hope to buy a farm soon.

There was an error last week in the address of the La Macchies. It should have been 6301 Pontiac Street. I hope no one was inconvenienced.

Charles Cormack, 6-B Ridge, returned from Prince Georges Hospital on Monday and is at home, recuperating from an operation.

Ralph Hirschtritt's birthday was celebrated last Friday with a party at his home, 19-M Ridge. Among Greenbelt friends were Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Wetter, Mr. and Mrs. Mike Salzman, Mr. and Mrs. Bernard Trattler and Mr. and Mrs. George Tretter.

Mrs. Joseph Karlin, 12-E Ridge, enjoyed a holiday visit from her brother-in-law, Henri Karlin of New York City.

Mrs. Ellen Linson, 14-E Cres-

cent, motored with her mother to her parents' home in Blue Rapids, Kansas. She will return sometime in January. Mrs. Linson is on leave from her work as director of recreation of Prince George's County.

Sorry we missed reporting the new baby, son of Mr. and Mrs. Towney Scudder who live in Rockville. Towney is the promotion assistant at GCS.

Mrs. Jack Algaze and Mrs. Ralph Hirschtritt, Brownie leaders are happy, wearing their newly acquired pins which signify their completion of a course for Girl Scout leaders.

Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Denniston, 11-G Laurel Hill, spent the holiday week at the home of his mother in Hagerstown. Also a guest there was Mrs. Denniston's mother, Mrs. Clay M. Webb of Vienna, Maryland.

Rev. and Mrs. Erie Braund with their two children spent Thanksgiving in Swarthmore, Pennsylvania, with her sister and brother-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. Roy McCorkel. Mrs. Braund also had an opportunity to visit with her father, Rev. and Mrs. Edward Bonsall wish to be remembered to all their friends in Greenbelt.

The weather was obligingly perfect for all who went "home for Thanksgiving" that is, if "back home" means around New York City. Among the Greenbelt families who spent the holiday there were: the Harold Fischers, 18-A Ridge, the Jack Ratzkins, 17-K Ridge, the David Reznikoffs, 21-B Ridge, the Leon Newmans, 18-B Ridge Road, and also the editor of this column with husband and the little McGees. My two girls enjoyed some sightseeing, the Empire State Building, the Statue of Liberty, Radio City, etc. On our family visits to the suburbs, we crossed the Hudson River over the George Washington bridge and the Tri-Borough bridge into Long Island. New York City, truly the queen of cities, was a thrillingly beautiful sight, with its inimitable skyline, its rivers, dazzling in the sunlight, its many bridges, the superb, vistas along the Hudson, and in particular the view at night from the Jersey shore.

Mrs. Harry Weidberg, 17-A Ridge, had as house guests her parents of New York City. Harry Weidberg went back with them on their return to see his mother.

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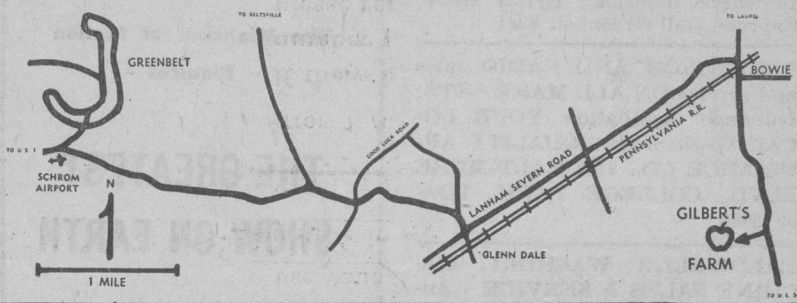
A bike was reported stolen from 18 Ridge.

Vandalism broke out at 2 Southway and 11 Q Laurel; also broken was a window pane at 3 Research.

Boys blocked road with benches. Parking trouble at 55 Ridge.

A child was locked in bathroom at 2 Plateau.

"Vandalism could be stopped with the cooperation of parents."



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## SATURDAY MORNING at 1 A.M. ...thousands of Washington area telephone numbers will be changed

At 1 A.M. Saturday morning, all dial telephones in the Washington metropolitan area will carry a numeral in their central office names. This will complete conversion in the Washington area to what is known as a "2 letter-5 digit" numbering system.

More than 125,000 Washington area telephone numbers have already been changed to the new numbering system. Most of these will not be affected by the change-over on December 6, but more than 300,000 other telephone numbers will be.

### Here are the changes

For some telephones, the only change will be a number added to the central office name. For example, ADams 9969 will become ADams 4-9969. To reach this number, you will simply dial the first two letters of the central office name and the numeral 4, then the rest of the telephone number.

Other telephones will have the central office name changed and a numeral added, with the rest of the telephone number remaining the same. For example, GEorgia 9969 will become RAndolph 3-9969. To reach this number, you will dial RA and the numeral 3, then the rest of the telephone number. A few telephone numbers will change completely.

Call the telephone Business Office if you have not received your new December 6 telephone directory

These changes will be found in the new telephone directory—identified by the big

December 6 on the cover—which has already been delivered. In case you haven't received your copy, please call the telephone Business Office, and it will be sent to you.

Remember, these changes do not become effective until 1 A.M. Saturday morning. Until that time, continue to use your old telephone directory as you have in the past.

After 1 A.M. Saturday morning if there is a yellow mask on the number plate of your telephone, please remove it. It can easily be lifted with your fingernails or a fingernail file. Your new telephone number will be underneath.

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